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SUBJECT: SHEIKH ABDUL RAHMAN AL MUTREF AND
AL MUTREF TRADING STORES, RIYADH

REF: STATE 99438

1. SINCE ITS FOUNDING IN 1971 AS A WHOLESALER, DISTRIBUTOR AND RETAILER OF HOUSEHOLD ARTICLES THE AL MUTREF FIRM HAS GROWN STEADILY. IT HAS APPROXIMATELY \$3 MILLION IN LIQUID CAPITAL AND HAS SEVERAL LARGE CONTRACTS FOR VILLA CONSTRUCTION ACCORDING TO KNOWLEDGEABLE SOURCES IN RIYADH. IT IS REPUTABLE AND WELL MANAGED. IT HAS NOW A BRANCH IN JIDDA AND IS EXPANDING ITS ACTIVITIES. SOME 40 TO 50 FOREIGN FIRMS ARE REPRESENTED AMONG WHICH ARE ONEIDA SILVER OF NEW YORK, ROGERS SILVER AND IT IS THE EXCLUSIVE NORITAKE AGENT IN SAUDI ARABIA, A VERY PROFITABLE REPRESENTATION.

2. THE TELEPHONE NUMBER GIVEN 30212 IN RIYADH IS TEMPORARILY OUT OF ORDER.

3. SOURCE WE CONTACTED, HOWEVER, CONFIRMS CONNECTION WITH PRINCESS MADAWI.

3. UNBIASED SOURCE WE CONTACTED IS NATIONALIZED SAUDI, RESIDENT IN RIYADH FOR 22 YEARS, IN BUSINESS HIMSELF AND KNOWS LOCAL SCENE WELL. ALSO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE RIYADH CONTACT GIVES FIRM HIGH MARKS.

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4. ABOVE INFO IS FROM SOURCES BELIEVED RELIABLE BUT

EMBASSY, AS PER REGULATIONS, WAIVES ANY RESPONSIBILITY
FOR ONWARD TRANSACTIONS. WTRD UNDER PREPARATION.

5. FYI: CHUGHTAI NOT CONTACTED. FLOODS IN RIYADH
HAVE DISRUPTED MANY LINES.
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